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SUBJECT: INDIA: HIGH LEVEL ATTENDANCE AT 64TH UN GENERAL

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- 11. (SBU) In an August 10 discussion about India's participation in the 64th UN General Assembly, MEA UN Political Deputy Secretary Sanjay Rana told us that India expects to send a delegation of 20 to 30 officials led by Prime Minister Singh and Foreign Minister Krishna. Post will transmit additional information once it is available.
- ¶2. (SBU) Government of India tentative participation is as follows:
- ¶A. Attendance of the Head of State: We have received no indication that President Pratibha Patil will attend.
- 1B. Attendance of the Head of Government: Prime Minister Manmohan Singh is expected to attend.
- -- Name and Title: Dr. Manmohan Singh, Prime Minister
- --Arrival and Departure Dates: Exact arrival and departure dates are unknown.
- --Spouse's Attendance: We have received no indication that the Prime Minister's wife will attend.
- -- Interpretation Required: No.
- <u>T</u>C. Attendance of the Foreign Minister: External Affairs Minister Somanahalli Mallajah (S.M.) Krishna is expected to attend.
- -- Name and Title: Somanahalli Mallajah (S.M.) Krishna
- --Arrival and Departure Dates: Exact arrival and departure dates are ${\tt unknown}$.
- --Spouse's Attendance: We have received no indication that the External Affairs Minister's wife will attend.
- -- Interpretation Required: No.
- 1D. Attendance of other VIP's: Rana conveyed the official delegation would total 20 to 30 officials, but could not offer specific information. He noted that a number of Indian parliamentarians will also attend apart from the official delegation, but provided no definite numbers.
- 1E. Attendance of MEA officials responsible for IO affairs: See answer D. ROEMER